countries. The MS-13 gang is among the most violent transnational street gangs in the United States; it specializes in crimes of violence, including murder, attempted murder, rape, kidnapping, violent armed assaults, firearms offenses, weapons related crimes, drug distribution, intimidation, prostitution, extortion and robbery.

The MS-13 gang consists of cliques, or factions, located throughout the United States and is unique in that it retains is ties to its counterparts in El Salvador. MS-13 has cliques in California, Washington DC, Oregon, Alaska, Arkansas, Texas, Nevada, Utah, Oklahoma, Illinois, Michigan,

## Pattern of Criminal Gang Activity

- the Suffolk County Police Department received On or about as an MS-13 gang member active in the information identifying Huntington, NY area.
- 2017 the Suffolk County Police Department received On or about I as an MS-13 gang member in Huntington information identifying Station, NY:
- 2017, the Suffolk County Police Department received On or about as an MS-13 gang member and that he was information identifying associating with other gang members in Huntington Station, NY;
- was found to be in possession of MS-13 On or about March 2017. drawings in his school work while in Hantington High School;
- was encountered by the Suffolk County On or about N Police Department with multiple other known MS-13 gang members:
- · The Suffolk County Police Department has received information from multiple sources on multiple dates that same is recruiting people to join the MS-13 gang.

## Discussion

has been classified as an MS-13 member by HSI predicated on the following:

- has been identified by the Suffolk County Police Department as a confirmed active member of the MS-13 gang;
- is known to law enforcement to frequent areas notorious for MS-13 activity and associate with other known MS-13 gang members;
  - has been found to be in possession of MS-13 paraphernalia and/or documents;
- The Suffolk County Police Department has received information from multiple sources as an MS-13 gang member. identifying

## Conclusion

s affiliation to a violent street gang, he should not be afforded any In light of type of immigration services, relief, benefit or otherwise released from custody pending the type of immigration proceedings. outcome of removal proceedings.